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Enclosed are copies of the following references for this application:

1. U.S. Patent No. 4,645,519 dated February 24, 1987;
2. German Patent No. DE 195 13 627 A1 dated March 14, 1996;
3. German Patent No. DE 196 46 048 A1 dated May 20, 1998;
4. International Application No. WO 98/17711 dated April 30, 1998; and

5. International Application No. WO 00/06663 dated February 10, 2000.

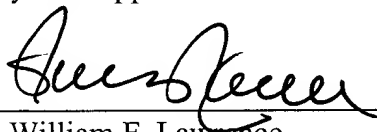
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Entry of this Information Disclosure Statement and an early examination on the merits are respectfully solicited.

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